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11. (SBU) Per reftel, Post informed host government MFA Assistant Chief of the Minister's Cabinet Abdetta Dribssa of the USG decision to designate al-Shabaab as a Foreign Terrorist Organization and as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist group on March 18. Abdetta responded that his government welcomed this action and was greatly pleased by it. MALAC